

生きること...

それは、

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NAMED, THE
"NATIONAL
PROSPERITY
PRESERVATION
ACT."

IN THIS COUNTRY, IN ORDER
FOR MOST CITIZENS TO
REALIZE THEIR
"VALUE OF LIFE,"
A FRACTION OF THE YOUTH
POPULATION IS TO BE
UNDER A CARD -

HOWEVER, THE
RECEIVER WILL ONLY
KNOW OF HIS FATE 24
HOURS PRIOR TO
HIS DEATH.

THE PAND-CAPSULE
WILL BURST AT
A PRE-DETERMINED
TIME SOME TIME
BETWEEN THE AGE
OF 10 AND 24, TAKING
THE LIFE OF
THE RECEIVER

ONE IN EVERY
THOUSAND
OF WHICH IS
OUTLINED BY
WITH A
PARTICULAR
PAND-CAPSULE

EVERY ELIGIBLE
SCHOOL CHILD
RECEIVES A
"NATIONAL HYGIENE
VACCINATION" UPON
ENROLLMENT -



MARKS THE
BEGINNING OF THE
LAST DAY OF
THEIR LIVES.

THE INSTANT THEY
RECEIVE THEIR
NOTICE OF DEATH -
THE "PANDAL,"

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IS IT BECAUSE...
I'M AN IKIGAMI
DELIVERER?



BUT -

I MEAN,
IT IS
IMPORTANT
WORK FOR
THIS
COUNTRY...

OF COURSE
THAT'S
NOT A
BAD THING
IN ITSELF



...
YES...



I DON'T
SEE US GOING
ANYWHERE.

PLUS YOU'RE
ALWAYS
DEPRESSED
AFTER A
DELIVERY,
KEEPING TO
YOURSELF
AND NOT
SAYING
ANYTHING...

YOU NEVER
KNOW WHEN
YOU'LL BE
CALLED...



BUT?



I CAN'T
EXACTLY
GO TO MY
LOVER'S RIGHT
AFTER ALL
SWEET AND
HAPPY

I JUST
BROUGHT PAIN
AND DESPAIR
TO THE PEOPLE
SCHEDULED TO
BE AND THEIR
FAMILIES.



WELL I CAN'T
HELP IT,
CAN I?



THAT'S WHY I SAY,
LET ME OUT OF
YOUR DESPAIR!



BUT TO ASK ME
TO CARRY THAT
KIND OF
SORROW WITH
YOU, I
REALLY...



I DO
APOL-
OGIZE



I SEE
THEN
THAT'S
FINE



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YOU SHOULD
KEEP IT
DOWN.



IF YOU KEEP GOING,
YOU MIGHT BE
SEEN AS "ONE WHO
CORRUPTS THE
THOUGHTS OF
OTHER CITIZENS."





"LUN-
MATSU
KUN?"



AND STRICT
MARTIAL
LAW, YOU'LL BE
FORCED INTO
RE-EDUCATION

THEN,
AFTER A
LONG-
TERM
DETENTION



IF SOMEONE
THOUGHT THAT MAY
AND REPORTED YOU,
YOU'LL BE
ARRESTED BY
THE AUTHORITIES
FOR SURE.



ALL OF THESE...
YOU REMEMBER
LEARNING THEM IN
JUNIOR HIGH,
RIGHT?



IN THE
WORST CASE
SCENARIO,
YOU'LL BE
INJECTED WITH
"THE" CAPSULE,
AND YOU
WILL DIE.



IF YOU'RE
UNWILLING
TO CHANGE
YOUR MIND,



MEANING
THAT YOU
MIGHT BE
REPORTED AT
ANYTIME, IN
ANY PLACE.



CITIZENS TAKE
TURNS ASSUMING
THE POSITION
OF "SURVEILLING
COMMISSIONER"
TO SCOUT OUT
CORRUPT THINKERS.

IN FACT, IT'S
EVERY
CITIZEN'S
DUTY TO
REPORT
CORRUPT
THINKERS.



YOU'LL NEVER
KNOW. MAYBE I'LL
REPORT YOU.



TO DECLARE A
DEATH IS MY JOB -

BECAUSE OF
THE
INTERROGATION
AND SADNESS
I GIVE OUT.

AFTER
STARTING MY JOB,
MY FRIENDS
AND
FAMILY HAVE
BECOME
DISTANT
LITTLE BY
LITTLE

IN ORDER TO
GET THIS, I'VE
GIVEN UP A
LOT OF THINGS.
TODAY...I'VE
LOST ANOTHER
IMPORTANT THING.

A DORM THAT
THE DISTRICT
GOVERNMENT
BUILDS AND
THE LITTLE
BIT OF
DELIVERER'S
SURVIVOR...

IT'S A
SADNESS,
HUM...

BUT, EVEN FOR A SHORT
WHILE, SINCE WE'VE
BEEN GOING OUT, I HAD
HOPED THAT SHE'D
UNDERSTAND A LITTLE.

I NEVER
THOUGHT SHE
WOULD BE THE
ONE SPECIAL
PERSON OF MY
LIFE.

SHINGAMI

EVEN A SHINGAMI
GETS HURT
SOMETIMES -







ONLY ONE AT
A TIME, NE.

ANYMORE AND
YOU'LL DIE, NE.



AHH, I'LL KEEP
THAT IN MIND.









I'M REALLY
SORRY
ABOUT THAT
TIME.



SMALL
COMPANIES LIKE
OURS ARE
ALWAYS SHORT
ON STAFF.

ALL OTHER
APPS WERE
OUT ON
PROJECTS
ON THAT DAY.



YEAH.



OF COURSE, I
CAN UNDERSTAND
HOW YOU WANT
TO BECOME A
DIRECTOR
SOONER.

ALTHOUGH
YOU SHOULD
TAKE MORE
CARE OF
YOURSELF.

NO
WORRIES.



MIYAMORI-
SAN?



KATSUMI-
MURA-
SUGI.



DIRECTOR
MIYAMORI
WANTS YOU.



IT'S
ALRIGHT,
WE DID
FINISH IT
IN THE
END.

OH, YOU
MEAN
FOR THE
LOCATION
SHOT.

SH?



I'M REALLY
SORRY ABOUT
THE WEEK
BEFORE THE
LAST.



AH,
YES.

I WANTED TO
TALK TO YOU
ABOUT YOUR
PROPOSAL OF
"SENTINAL IN
THE MYSTERIOUS
ANIMAL WORLD"



AND SO, I'D LIKE YOU
TO TAKE THIS
PROJECT UP AS THE
DIRECTOR.

THEY DECIDED
TO USE IT
AT THE
IN-STATION
PRESENTATION.



YEAH.

ME- ME AS
THE
DIRECTOR?



THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH!

PH.



IT'S ONLY A
10-MINUTE
CORNER.

BUT I'LL
GIVE YOU 2
ADG. TRY IT
THE WAY
YOU SEE IT.

YOU'RE
EXPERIENCED IN
BOTH PROJECT
PLANNING AND IN
ON-SITE DIRECTING.



ONCE YOU'RE A DIRECTOR,
IT WON'T BE PASSED OFF
SO EASILY IF THE SAME
THING HAPPENS
A SECOND TIME.

BUT...

NEVER
DISREGARD
YOUR HEALTH.



YES
GIRL!

AS THE STORY GOES, A DYING PATIENT WAS KEPT ALIVE BY THIS DRUG IN THE 30S IN A GERMAN HOSPITAL FOR OVER 1 HOUR DESPITE A LOSS OF HEARTBEAT HE CONTINUED BREATHING



ON THE OTHER HAND MYSTERIOUS SUBSTANCE USED FOR THIS DRUG CALLED ATROPIN



IN THIS COUNTRY IT HAS QUIETLY BECOME A STREET DRUG POPULAR AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATION



THIS IS OF COURSE RESPONSIBLE IN STRICTLY MEDICAL CIRCUMSTANCES BUT BECAUSE OF THIS STORY ATROPIN ESCAPE KNOWN AS A MIRACLE DRUG AND ACCORD TO THE ENTIRE EUROPE THEN THROUGH RUSSIA IT SPREAD TO VARIOUS PARTS OF ASIA



WHETHER OR NOT IT IS REALLY A MIRACLE DRUG IS STILL UNKNOWN

BUT SINCE IT INDUCES INTENSE PHYSIOLOGICAL CHANGES MUCH LIKE OTHER PROHIBITED DRUGS THE AUTHORITIES ARE NOW DISCUSSING PLACING ATROPIN UNDER RESTRICTION





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AND SO,
I'D LIKE
YOU TO TAKE
THIS PROJECT
UP AS THE
DIRECTOR.



ALL
YES

OH, KATSURURA. I
NEED A RAMEN SHOP
FACING THE SEA FOR
A LOCATION SHOT.
GET AT IT.

THINKING
BACK, IT'S
BEEN 9
YEARS SINCE
I GRADUATED
FROM
COLLEGE...

FINALLY!

I'M
FINALLY
HERE.

ALL THIS
TIME,
EVERYDAY
WAS A
LIVING
HELL -







THOSE THAT STARTED
AROUND THE SAME TIME
AS ME LEFT THE
COMPANY ONE AFTER
ANOTHER, BUT I HELD
ON TO THIS JOB LIKE
DEAR LIFE





THE FT. STATION,
HEAVY BUCK ONLY
UNUSUALLY
ADVANCED GET TO
RECORD DIRECTOR



BECAUSE THIS
WAS MY DREAM
EVER SINCE I WAS
LITTLE -



MY CHANCE
IS HERE!

SO IF I DON'T
HANG ON,
I NEVER
WOULD'VE MADE

BUT IT'S
FINALLY
HERE!



...MIGHT'VE
OVERDID IT
A BIT...





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THE WAY WE LIVE











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GOAL
DREAM,
DREAM,
DREAM.

WHAT ARE
YOU
WRITING IN
BRAGGAD FOR
GRADE SCHOOL?



YOU HAVE NO
DREAM, JUST
WORKING
SMALL JOBS
HERE AND
THERE

YOU'RE
JEALOUS
OF ME, RIGHT?



AND EVEN IF YOU
DO SUCCEED,
WHAT MEANING
WOULD A
SUCCESS LIKE
THAT HAVE?

HOW
SUCCESSFUL
CAN YOU BE
WITH THAT
DRUGGED-OUT
BODY?



MAYBE YOU
THINK YOU HAVE
SOME SORT OF
SPECIAL TALENT.

BUT MAYBE,
YOU'RE JUST A LOSER
THAT EXHAUSTS
EVERYTHING
YOU GOT JUST SO
YOU CAN COVER
YOUR ASS!



SHUT UP,
WHAT'S IT
TO YOU?

THIS IS
MY
OWN...



WITHOUT DRUGS
YOU CAN'T DO
ANYTHING. YOU'RE
JUST ABOUT
AVERAGE!



LIKE I TOLD
YOU, I WAS
SELECTED
TODAY
TO BE A
DETECTION...



WHEN ARE
YOU GONNA
STOP
HIDING?

THE REAL YOU, ISN'T
IT JUST SOME GOOD-
FOR-NOTHING BLUNT?



HEARD
YOU
SAY SOMING



Will you listen
to me!!





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BUT HOW COULD SHE STAND
IN MY WAY TO SUCCESS?

COURSE IT'S GOOD
SHE'S WORRYING OVER
ME....



DON'T YOU DARE
PUT DOWN MY
DREAM!





SHE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND
THE SITUATION AT ALL!



I'M IN THE JUNGLE HERE!
WHAT'S WITH THE
ATTITUDE!



SACRIFICES MUST BE
MADE!!



ALSO-
DATE

DIRECTOR
KATSUMURA
SEEMS RELAXED



FIRST DAY AS A
DIRECTOR. IT'S
GONNA BE
MEMORABLE!



GOTTA
FOCUS NOW.



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DISTRICT
REGISTRAR MY
NAME IS FLEMMING.



WHO IS
IT?



YES,
WHAT IS
IT?



WHO IS
IT?

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I'M HERE TO DELIVER
AN ADVANCE NOTICE OF
DEATH...THAT IS, AN
IKIGAMI.







IKIGAMI

CHAPTER 7

*BROUGHT TO YOU BY:
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Act 2



MY
IKIGAMI...!?



TO AVOID
WASTING YOUR
TIME, I CAME
BY TO TAKE A
LOOK.

HOWEVER, AFTER A
CLOSE INSPECTION
OF YOUR FILES, I
REALIZED THAT
YOU'RE CURRENTLY
LIVING HERE IN
THE SAME AREA.



I VISITED THE
REGISTERED RESIDENCE
UNDER YOUR NAME.
UNFORTUNATELY
NO-ONE WAS HOME.

SO A NOTICE OF
DELIVERY WAS
ISSUED.





1TH COSTUM REMAINING





HELLO??



YEAH,
WHAT IS IT?



HI,
KATSUHAURA
-SAN?

THIS IS
GOTOHARA,
YOUR
BUILDING
MANAGER.



THE GIRL THAT LIVES
WITH YOU, LOOKS
LIKE SHE GOT AN
ADVANCE NOTICE OF
DEATH.



SORRY,
I DIDN'T
CATCH YOU
WHAT?





I SAID YOUR
GIRLFRIEND GOT
AN IKIGAMI.



NO, YOUR NEXT DOOR
NEIGHBOUR HEARD
HER CONVERSATION
WITH THE IKIGAMI
DELIVERER.



COULD
YOU HAVE
GOTTEN IT
WAGON?

KAZUHA
GOT AN
IKIGAMI?



I ALSO WANT TO
REQUEST THAT SHE
NOT DIE IN
OUR APARTMENTS
IF POSSIBLE.

THE FOLLOW-UP
WILL BE A BOTHER.



I'M SORRY,
CAN YOU
CONFIRM
IT WITH YOUR
GIRLFRIEND
HERSELF?



16H 50MIN REMAINING



WHAT IS THIS
FEELING... I'VE
NEVER FELT IT
BEFORE...

MY MIND IS COMPLETELY
BLANK. I DON'T HAVE ANY
STRENGTH IN MY BODY.



IT'S ALMOST LIKE I'M
ALREADY DEAD.



THOSE THAT ARE
IMAGINARY TO US
ALWAYS LEAVE.

NO MATTER HOW
MUCH I WISH TO
THINK OF THEM TO STAY...



GOODBYE,
KAZUSA.
FORGET
ABOUT
DADDY.

KAZUSA,
YOU WANT
TO BE HAPPY
AGAIN TOO!





NO MATTER
HOW MUCH I
PRAY...

IN THE END,
I'M ALWAYS
ALONE.

DIRECTOR SANO
WILL COME ON SET
IN BACK TOMORROW
EVENING.
TAKASHI



AM I GOING TO
BE ALONE EVEN
WHEN I DIE?

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DON'T LEAVE ME
ALL ALONE!







HOW'RE YOU
GONNA BE A
DIRECTOR IF
YOU KEEP
TALKING ON
THE PHONE?

AREN'T YOU
WORKING
RIGHT NOW?
HANG UP
THE PHONE.

WHAT -
OF
COURSE
IT HAS
TO DO
WITH ME?
YOU
AND I...



BYE.

LISTEN TO
ME -



KAZUSA IS GOING
TO DIE -



THERE'S GOT TO
BE A SCREW UP
SOMEWHERE?

THAT'S NOT
RIGHT.



HOW AM I SUPPOSED
TO WORK IN A
SITUATION LIKE THIS!



SURE, SHE'S
KINDA SCREWD-
UP SOMETIMES,

THERE'S NO
REASON FOR
HER TO DIE!

BUT WHY HER,
OF ALL PEOPLE!



KUTSUKAURA
-SAY, SET
-UP'S DONE.



IF I LEAVE HOME NOW,
I SHOULD HAVE PLENTY
OF TIME...



OHAYO,
I WENT
ANOTHER 16
AND A HALF
HOURS.



NO! I
CANNOT GIVE
UP AT THIS
CRUCIAL TIME!

I WAS AWAKE JUST
TWO WEEKS AGO. IF
I LEAVE THE SET
NOW, MY DIRECTOR
DREAM IS LOOY
GONE.



COMING



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LET US WALK
FURTHER
DOWN THE
PATH

THE PHASE "FACE-
SLAPPING" LIKE A
BAGGER COMES
FROM THE FACT THAT
BAGGERS WILL FARE
DEATH TO ESCAPE
PREDATORS.

BUT... WE STILL
HAVEN'T FOUND A
BAGGER TO HELP US
WITH OUR EXPERIMENT

SH KENJI REMAINS





DO WE SWITCH
TO NIGHT
CAMERAS FROM
HERE ON?

HEY,
BRING SOME
BATTERIES
OVER.



JUST
FORGET
ABOUT
KAZUSA...

THIS IS AN
IMPORTANT
SHOT THAT
WILL
CONVINCE
MY
FATHER.

I'VE ALREADY DECIDED
NOT TO GO BACK. WHAT'S
THE USE OF CALLING HER,
THEN...



AH, YES.

KITAHARA,
THE ANGEL
FOR THE
NEXT SHOT...





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THE END OF THE LINE 2



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I KEPT ON
TELLING HIM TO
QUIT, BUT HE
WON'T LISTEN.

PLAYED
SOMETHING.



IS HE
INVOLVED
IN DRUG
ABUSE?



SQUARE
AGE...



YES, WE
WILL BE
RELYING
ON YOU.



WE CAN ALSO
REFER YOU TO
REHAB CLINICS
AND SUPPORT
GROUPS.

I SEE... WELL,
IF ANYTHING
COMES UP,
DON'T HESITATE
TO TALK TO US.



KATSUMURA
ABUSING
DRUGS...

WAS THAT
TRUE JUST
NOW?





That dumbass!

I'M AWFULLY
SORRY,
TOO. SEEING HOW
THIS'LL TURN OUT.



PLEASE DON'T
REPORT THIS TO
THE COMPANY!

PLEASE! I'LL
DEFINITELY GET
TAKESHI TO QUIT!



EITHER
WAY, I'M
LEAVING
FOR NOW.
YOU
SHOULD
TAKE IT
EASY.

I BEG OF YOU!





PLEASE!



DON'T GET
ON IT,
THOUGH.

WELL, I'LL
THINK
ABOUT IT.



ERR, A
SUB AS
IN...?



THEN, I'M
LEAVING.

I WILL
GOTTA FIND
A SUB...



YEA, LETTING ME
DOWN ON SUCH
A BUSY DAY...
WHAT A PAIN.



A SUB FOR
YOUR GUY IN
OUR LOCATION
SHOT TODAY.



I'D BE FIRED
ALREADY.



IF IT WEREN'T
FOR HER,

SHE DID SO
MUCH FOR ME,
YET I ONLY
THOUGHT
ABOUT
MYSELF...



I
DON'T KNOW
ANYTHING.



KATSUMI-
MILL-BALL,
PROVE AND
OK NOW

OTHERWISE,
FOR THE REST
OF MY LIFE
I'LL -

IN HOUSE LEFT...CAN
I REALLY LEAVE IT AT
THAT?

IN THE VERY
LEAST, I
SHOULD BE
THERE WITH
HER FOR THE
LAST OF HER
LIFE!





SHOULD I THROW
EVERYTHING AWAY
AND GO
SAGE?

I PUT UP WITH
HELLISH SLEEPING!
GUY TO GET TO
THE POINT!

WAIT...
CALM DOWN!



HOW CAN I
ABANDON MY
DREAM NOW!



WHAT MEANING
WOULD A SUCCESS
LIKE THAT HAVE?



HOW SUCCESSFUL
CAN YOU BE WITH
THAT DISRUPTED-
OUT BODY?

WITHOUT FEELS
YOU CAN'T DO
ANYTHING. YOU'RE
JUST ABOUT
FUCKED!

YOU'RE JUST A LUCKY
THAT SBAKETS
EVERYTHING YOU
BOT JUST SO YOU
CAN COVER YOUR HSS!



KATSUMI-
UCHI-SAN?

?



HITS MY
SORE SPOTS
DEAD-ON,
EVERY TIME.



WHY IS IT
THAT YOU
KNOW ME
BETTER THAN
MYSELF?



WHY IS IT
THAT YOU
CARE FOR ME
SO MUCH?



WHY ARE YOU
SO GOOD TO
ME...





IKIGAMI

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TO TAKESHI

RECEIVED

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COUNTDOWN TO TIME OF
DEATH, 4 H 10 MIN REMAINING

BYE-BYE,
TAKESHI.

WHAT?

TAKESHI...

SO WAIT
FOR ME IN
THE
APARTMENT!

I'M ON
MY WAY
HOME
RIGHT
NOW.

KAZ-
USA.



I HAVE
TO SEE
YOU ONE
LAST TIME!

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Act 3



LISTEN TO ME!



DON'T YOU HAVE TO DO YOUR DIRECTOR WORK -

WHY WOULD YOU BE TALKING ABOUT?



I - I WAS ABOUT TO GO BACK HOME...



THIS TIME IT CONCERNS ONLY YOU!

DON'T BE SO CONSIDERATE TO OTHER PEOPLE ALL THE TIME!



IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT?

YOU WANT YOUR MOTHER TO SEE TO YOUR DUTY? YOUR MOTHER, WHO YOU NEVER GOT ALONG WITH?



SO BE GOOD AND WAIT FOR ME!

BUT THE WAY THINGS TURNED OUT, THIS IS ABOUT THE ONLY THING I COULD DO NOW...

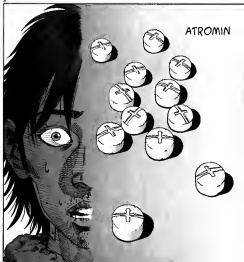
TRUTH IS, I REALLY WANT TO DO MORE FOR YOU IF I COULD.



I'M NOT GOING
TO LEAVE YOU
ALL BY
YOURSELF!









IF THIS
KEEPS UP
I MIGHT
NOT
MAKE IT.

K-
KAZUSA,
I'M
STUCK IN
TRAFFIC.



ARE
YOU
OKAY?



SO LISTEN
TO ME
CAREFULLY.



WHAT...



AT THE BACK
OF THE
CLOSET
THERE'S A
PAIR OF
SNEAKERS I
DON'T WEAR
ANYMORE



UNDER THE
INSOLE OF
THE RIGHT
SHOE





I'M NOT
EATING
THEM.



I'M NOT
GONNA EAT
SOME
STUPID
DELAYS TO
GET HAPPY.



I DON'T
WANT TO
SEE YOU
IN A
STATE
LIKE THAT.

NO! IF I
EAT THIS
STUFF,
I'M NOT
ME
ANYMORE!

IF YOU DON'T
EAT IT TO
DELAY YOUR
DEATH, WE
MIGHT NEVER
SEE EACH
OTHER AGAIN!

IDIOT! WHO
SAID
ANYTHING
ABOUT
GETTING
HAPPY!



I WANT TO BE
MYSELF WHEN
I SEE YOU.

I WANT TO BE
MYSELF WHEN I
MEET YOU FOR
THE LAST TIME.



WE'LL
DEFINITELY
MAKE IT.

THE - THE
TRAFFIC
WILL GET
BETTER.

KAO-
LINA...



WE WILL
DEFINITELY
SEE EACH
OTHER. I
BELIEVE IN IT!

AND I
WILL BE
HERE
WAITING
FOR YOU...

TO THERA

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DAMN! WHAT IS
THEY DO
STUBBORN UNTIL
THE END!

THESE ARE
ANOTHER WAY
OTHER THAN
SAYING THE TRUTH...



K-
KAZUSA...



DAMN YOU ALL, WHAT ARE
YOU DOING!

WE HAVEN'T
MOVED AT
ALL!



OTHERWISE,
KAZUSA
WILL...

COME ON,
HURRY UP
AND
MOVE...

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h
h!!



EAT IT.



11 24MIN REMAINING



EAT IT, AND
YOU MIGHT
KEEP LIVING A
BIT LONGER.

WE MIGHT
NEVER...



IF YOU DON'T EAT
IT TO DELAY YOUR
DEATH, WE MIGHT
NEVER SEE SUCH
OTHER BEING



TO THESE

10000



OH, DID
YOU HEAR
ME?

I WANT TO
SEE TAKESHI.

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01 25MIN REMAINING





25
MINUTES
LEFT...



I MADE
IT -





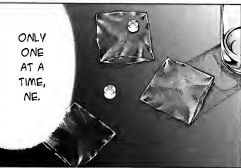


SHE ATE
THEM
ALREADY..?





ONLY
ONE
AT A
TIME,
NE.



ANYMORE
AND
YOU'LL
DIE, NE

ONLY
ONE AT
A TIME,
NE

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YOU'LL

DIE

NE.





Kazusa!!

IF SHE HADN'T
TAKEN THE
DRUG, THE TWO
MIGHT HAVE
MET ONE LAST
TIME -

DUE TO LARGE
CONSUMPTION OF
ATROPIN, CAUSING
HEART PARALYSIS,
TERAMISHI KAZUSA
PASSED AWAY AHEAD
OF THE SCHEDULED
TIME OF DEATH.



HOWEVER, SINCE
ATROXIN WAS NOT
A PROHIBITED
DRUG, HE WAS
RELEASED ON THE
SAME DAY.

2 DAYS
LATER,
MATSUTURA
TAKESHI WAS
INTERROGATED
BY THE
POLICE.

THE CAUSE OF
DEATH WAS NOT
A RUPTURE OF
THE CAPSULE,
BUT DRUG-
RELATED.



THE
GOVERNMENT IS
CURRENTLY
STRUGGLING TO
COME UP WITH
A SOLUTION-

IRONICALLY, BECAUSE
OF THEIR TRAGIC LOVE
STORY, ATROXIN WAS
BRANDED AS THE
"DRUG OF PURE
LOVE," AND BECAME
MORE POPULAR THAN
EVER.

IN THE END,
WHETHER OR
NOT ATROXIN
IS A MIRACLE
DRUG REMAINS
UNKNOWN.





LONELY PEOPLE
COVER THE
ENTIRE
FACE OF
THE EARTH

LONELY
NOISE...



BUT
PERHAPS
HER
LONELINESS
COULD
ONLY BE
EASED BY
HIM.

WELL,
THAT'S
PROBABLY
TRUE...



NO, IT'S
NOTHING.



ER, DID
SOME-
THING
HAPPEN?

LONELY...



BUT BECAUSE OF THAT,
I HAVE NO INTENTION
WHATSOEVER TO
LEARN THE
SIGNIFICANCE OF
"LOVE" OR "LIFE"
FROM THE HER DEATH



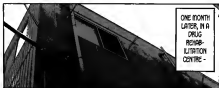
LONELY...

TO ME, WHO
WAS JUST
DUMPED,
THIS CASE
HIT ME HARD.

THIS IS THE FIRST
TIME THAT MY
DUTIES GNAWED AT
ME WITH SUCH
PAIN, SUCH A
SENSE OF GUILT.



BECAUSE IF I
DID, THAT
WOULD BE
PLAYING
RIGHT INTO
THIS LAW'S
HANDS -



ONE MONTH
LATER, IN A
DRUG
REHAB-
ILITATION
CENTRE -



TAKESHI... IT
WAS NOT AS
WELL IN THAT
COSTUME, BUT
IT WAS KINDA
FUN.

I WAS
REFERRED
HERE BY MY
HIGH SCHOOL
TEACHER.

I'VE ALWAYS
THOUGHT THAT
"LIVING IS A
SURFBOARD" AND
BEFORE I REALIZED
IT I WAS DRINKING
TURNER -



GOOD
FOR
YOU.

AND
YOU?

I THINK I
FINALLY
UNDERSTAND
YOUR
FEELINGS A
LITTLE BIT
WHEN YOU'RE
WORKING.

BUT I
HAVEN'T
TAKEN
ANYTHING
SINCE I
CAME
HERE.

I COULDN'T
CONTROL MY
ANXIETY. AT
ONE POINT I
HAD TAKEN 40
TRANQUILIZER
PILLS IN ONE
SHOT.

SO,
PLEASE
LISTEN TO
ME ONE
LAST TIME.

I -

IT'S FINE IF
YOU HAVE
TO TAKE
MORE TIME;
IT'S FINE IF
YOU HAVE
TO START
OVER AGAIN
AND AGAIN...



EVEN WITHOUT
BELIVING IN OTHER
STUFF, YOU WILL STILL
SUCCEED.



TO TAKE

KAZUSA

SO TAKE
YOUR
SINCERITY
AND
YOUR
PASSION,
AND
MARCH
TOWARDS
YOUR
DREAM -



IKISAMI

CHP. 9

BROUGHT TO
YOU BY
MANGASCANS
& MHL SINE
NEFAS

COVER PROVIDED BY SILVERSTAG
TRANSLATED BY KASEIC
CLEARED BY FLEISCHMANN
TYPESET BY BLACK FOOT SAMJI



SENIOR
SPECIAL
CARE
CENTRE,
KOUVOU
SENIOR'S
HOME -



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BUT BECAUSE
OF A
CERTAIN
REASON...

WELL,
SHE
REALLY
CAN
WALK.



MAKES HER
THINK SHE
CAN'T WALK?



A
CHILDHOOD
FAMILY,

IF THAT'S
THE CASE,
THERE
MUST BE A
REASON.

OR AN
ACCIDENT
SHE WAS
INVOLVED
IN. THINGS
LIKE THAT.



AND MY
MOTHER
NEVER
WALKED A
STEP AFTER
THAT.

ALL OF A
SUDDEN
SHE
SAID "I
CAN'T
WALK".

SINCE SHE
DEVELOPED
DEMENCIA,

YES.



OF COURSE,
THIS IS
ENTIRELY
OVERSOWN

HUH.
THAT
REMINDS ME
OF
SOMETHING...



SPOIL-
MED...?

YES.

MOTHER ONCE
FELL FROM
SOME STAIRS
AND SPRAINED
HER ANKLE.

I'VE HEARD
THAT BEFORE
I WAS
BORN...WHEN
MY PARENTS
WILL LIVED IN
THE COUNTRY.



I HEARD
ABOUT THIS
FROM MOTHER
MUCH LATER...

BECAUSE OF THIS,
MY FATHER, WHO
WAS USUALLY
VERY STRICT,
TENDED TO MOTHER
CARINGLY IN THAT
PERIOD...



THAT
MOTHER
WANTED TO
RETURN TO
THAT
TIME...? I
THINK THAT
MIGHT IT.

SO,
COULD
IT BE...



BY THE WAY,
WHEN DID
AGAKURA-
SAMA'S
HUSBAND
PASS AWAY?



AND SHE
DOESN'T SEEM
TO THINK
THINKING
WISDOM WOULD
WITH HER CURRENT
STATUS

THAT'S
RIGHT,



I SEE... IN
OTHER WORDS,
SHE HAD NO
DESIRE TO
WALK -



60 YEARS
AGO, HE WAS
CONSCRIPTED
AND
MOBILIZED TO
THE SOUTH.
HE DIED IN
BATTLE.

WHEN
THEIR SON
WAS 8
YEARS
OLD,









YOU SON
CARES
ABOUT YOU
VERY MUCH,
DIDN'T HE?

HE VISITS
YOU
OFTEN.





















THAT'S BECAUSE I'VE
CAUGHT ON WITH THIS
JOB, BUT RECENTLY MY
ISSUES WITH THE
NATIONAL PROSPERITY
PRESERVATION ACT HAVE
ONLY BEEN WITH THE
TRIVIAL MATTERS.

SO... THAT
ONE?



OH,
DAMMIT!

IF YOU
THINK
ABOUT IT,
THEY'RE
ALL PETTY
DETAILS.



WHY DO THE MINISTRY
SEND FIGURES IN LATE...
WHY DON'T WE HAVE MORE
DELIVERERS... HOW COME
THERE ARE SO MANY
ERRORS ON THEIR
CHARACTER REPORTS...



I'LL BE
CHARGED
A LATE
FEE
AGAIN

IT'S GOING
TO
SETBACK
THE
PROCESS!

I COULDN'T GRASP
THEIR TRUE MEANING
WITH MY MIND ALONE.
IT MADE ME
RESTLESS, I REPT ON
MESSING UP. I WAS
QUITE HURT.

WHEN I WAS
FIRST ASSIGNED
TO THIS JOB, I
HAD SERIOUSLY
CONSIDERED
"LIFE" AND
"DEATH."

ON THE OTHER HAND,
THE DOUBT I HAD AT
THE BEGINNING WAS
BEING CAST AWAY,
UNTOUCHED.

BUT IN THE REPEITION
OF THOSE FAILURES,
MY COURAGE GREW
AND I LEARNED HOW TO
SLIP OUT FROM ALL
THE CONCERNS.

I SUPPOSE IT
COULD BE
CALLED
GROWING UP

AN IMPORTANT
PART OF MY
HEART WAS
BEGINNING TO
FEEL NUMB...



SENPAI,

TAKABE'S
ALWAYS WITH
ASAKURA-SAN
THESE DAYS.
WHAT'S THAT
ABOUT?



HM.

BUT
THEN,
WHY A
NEWBIE?

HE
CAN'T
EVEN DO
ANYTHING
RIGHT
YET.

AHH, I HEARD
DEPUTY
DIRECTOR
ISHIOKA TOLD
HIM TO DO IT.
WATCH HER EAT,
WALK HER,
THINGS LIKE
THAT.



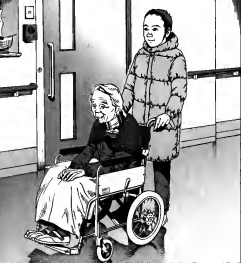
BUT
THAT'S
STILL
TAKABE-
OOS, HE
HAS TO
BE
WATCHED
OVER.

IT WOULD
BE BAD IF
ASAKURA-
SAN GETS
HURT.



APPARENTLY
ASAKURA-SAN
MISTAKES
TAKABE FOR
HER LATE
HUSBAND.

SH,
REALLY!





YEAH

THREE-
FIVE, ARE
YOU
GOING
OUT?



THAT'S
GOOD,
BARBARA-
DAN

THE
WEATHER'S
NICE TODAY,
AND THE AIR
IS FRESH,
RIGHT?

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SHIMA, IT'S A
GOOD DAY
FOR A WALK
TODAY.

I'M GOING TO
TAKE YOU TO
THAT PARK
YOU LIKE.



WITH TIME,
ONE DAY SHE
WILL WANT TO
WALK AGAIN.





I ASKED HIM,
"DID YOU WANT
TO CHANGE
DUPPERS?", AND
HE GOT SO MAD
AT ME.

AND HE GOT
REALLY ANGRY,
AND HE KEPT ON
SHOUTING "BUY
ON THE LOW!
BUY ON THE
LOW!" OVER THE
PHONE.



HUH...

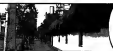


TURNED OUT
"BUYING ON
THE LOW" IS
A TERM THEY
USE IN STOCK
TRADING.

I
COULDN'T
HELP IT. I
KNEW
NOTHING
ABOUT
STOCKS.



I CAN'T
DO
ANYTHING
RIGHT...



YOU
KNOW...I'M
ALWAYS
BEING
SCOLDED.



THE CHILD
CAN'T EVEN
KEEP UP
WITH
COURSES IN
CRAM
SCHOOL.

DEAR, SON OF THE
AGE IN THEIR
CLASS ARE TAKING
ENTRANCE EXAMS
FOR JUNIOR HIGH.
KINDCHILL HAVE NO
PROBLEM, BUT
WHAT ARE WE
GONG TO DO WITH
SHAGGY?

WHO DID
HE GET IT
FROM...

EVEN MY
FAMILY
GAVE UP
ON ME.





GRANNY
KNOWS ALL
ABOUT
THEM -
RIGHT?

SHOUJI, IT'S
ALRIGHT IF
YOU
STRUGGLE
AT SCHOOL.

YOU'RE
PLENTY
GOOD IN
OTHER
PLACES.



I WAS ONLY
AT BASE AT
HOME WHEN
I'M WITH
GRANNY.

...AAA



I WISHED
GRANNY
WOULD GET
BETTER
SOON, AND
WENT TO
SEE HER
EVERDAY.

BUT...A
MONTH
LATER,
SHE...



BUT WHEN I
WAS IN SCHOOL
I IN SHORT
HAD A
GRANDMA... WAS
HOSPITALIZED
WITH A
MEDICAL
COMPLICATION
AFTER A COLD





IF I DO THAT,
MAYBE I CAN
HELP
ASAKURA-SAN
A LITTLE MORE.



BUT YOU KNOW,
I DON'T
CHOOSE THIS
JOB THINKING,
"WHATEVER."

RIGHT NOW I'M
ONLY A LEVEL 2
CAREGIVER, BUT
I'LL BE
STUDYING HARD.
ONE OF THESE
DAYS I'M GOING
TO BECOME A
NURSEMAN.



ACTUALLY
YOU NEED
VERY
LITTLE
HELP.

BUT
ASAKURA-
SAN,
YOU'RE
PRETTY
WEALTHY.



YES.

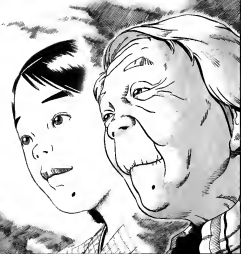


ALL THAT'S
RIGHT.
ASAKURA-
SAN, YOU
ACTUALLY CAN
WALK BY
YOURSELF.
CAN'T YOU?











EVEN THOUGH I
 ALWAYS MISS UP,
 EVEN THOUGH I
 KEEP ON BEING
 SET BACK, SHE
 MADE ME
 BELIEVE IN
 MYSELF.

THINKING
 ABOUT IT,
 BECAUSE OF
 AKAGI-SAN,
 MY LIFE HAS
 COMPLETELY
 CHANGED!

T-
 TOOLOLOU
 SAN

WORK
 HARD
 TOMORROW
 TOO!

YESHIN

THAT WAY, I'LL
 DEFINITELY BE
 MORE AND MORE
 CONFIDENT IN
 MYSELF.

I WANT TO
 LEARN
 MORE, AND
 BECOME A
 GREAT
 CASE
 WORKER
 SOON.

I'M SO
 GLAD I'M
 WORKING
 IN THE
 FIELD!

BRANNY...
 I'M ON
 THE
 RIGHT
 PATH.

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THE MIST OF DEATH ALIVE



ADVANCE NOTICE OF DEATH -

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ADVANCE
NOTICE
OF
DEATH...!?

COUNTDOWN TO TIME
OF DEATH,
22H 58MIN REMAINING



IKIGAMI CHP. 10

BROUGHT TO
YOU BY
MANGASCANS &
NIHI SINE NEFAS

EDITED AND COVER BY SILVERSTAG
TRANSLATED BY KAREN
CLEARED BY FENGJINXIAN &
MELISSAPRINCE
TYPESET BY BLACK FOOT SANJI





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THE WITCHED LIGHT









NATIONAL PROSPERITY SERVICE CENTRE CONTACTED IDE. THEY SET OUT TO DELIVER THE INQUIRY TO HIM AT THE SERVICE CENTRE.



ONE AND A HALF HOUR AFTER THE PLACEMENT OF A NOTICE OF DELIVERY IN THE EMPTY HOUSE OF TANGRE SHOUJI, 21, PART-TIME CAREGIVER AT A SENIOR CENTRE.

SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT 3 YEARS AGO, MANY BRANCHES HAVE BEEN OPENED NATIONWIDE. CURRENTLY, ONE CENTRE SUPPORTS THE OPERATIONS OF 3 DISTRICTS, ON AVERAGE.



NATIONAL PROSPERITY SERVICE CENTRE IN THE NEW-BLOOD DISTRICT, PL. 3008.8

THE CENTRE IS A SUBSTITUTING INSTITUTION TO THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT. OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY, IT IMAGINES NATIONAL PROSPERITY OPERATIONS OUTSIDE BUSINESS HOURS -

ON TOP OF THAT, THERE ARE THERAPISTS PERMANENTLY STATIONED IN THESE CENTRES TO PROVIDE COUNSELLING FOR DISTRESSED PEOPLE OF SCHEDULED DEATH AND THEIR FAMILIES.



THEY COARLY POOL WITH CONNECTING PEOPLE OF SCHEDULED DEATH WITH THEIR INQUIRY DELIVERERS, PROCESSING NATIONAL AFFAIRS SURVIVOR'S PERSON CLAIMS, RECEIVING APPEALS, ETC.



THERE SHOULD
HAPPEN TO LINE UP AT
A SERVICE CENTRE,
NERVOUS AND
RESTLESS, HE WENT TO
THE CENTRE IN A
DISORIENTED STATE.



WHILE I'M THINKING, AS
FOR USUAL, ABOUT
DELIVERING HIS KIGAMI
AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE...

HIS TIME OF
DEATH IS
8:00PM
TOMORROW...
22H 28MIN
REMAINING.



WE CAN'T
KEEP ON
BEING SO
TENSE,
AFTER ALL...

EXCUSE ME,
COULD YOU
PLEASE MAKE A
STOP ON THE
WAY? AT THE
VIDEO STORE
BEHIND THE
BUS STATION.



NATIONAL
PROSPERITY
SERVICE
CENTRE



NO, I DID A
SITE TOUR
WHEN I
FIRST
STARTED.

FIRST
TIME
HERE?



HELLO,
WE'VE
BEEN
WAITING
FOR YOU

UM, HI. I'M
FUJIMOTO, THE
TAKARA
DELIVERY
FROM
MUSASHINO-DISTRICT YOU
CONTACTED BY
PHONE?



YES...HE'S IN
THERAPY
RIGHT NOW.



SO,
REGARDING
THE STATE
OF TAKEBE
SHOULD...



IT'S HARD TO
ACCEPT SUCH
A THING AS
"DYING
TOMORROW",
ISN'T IT.



HE WAS
VERY
DISORIENTED.
IT TOOK HIM
A WHILE TO
CALM HIM
DOWN.

Kubo Nanako

A FEMALE
THERAPIST...

COME
IN.

I
BROUGHT
FUJIMOTO-
SAN.







WHY IS THAT?
BECAUSE
DEATH IS THE
BIGGEST
FEAR FOR A
LIVING BEING.

TAKEBB-
SAN...NO
MATTER WHO IT
IS, WE WILL ALL
THINK ABOUT
DEATH AT SOME
POINT IN OUR
LIVES.



NO MATTER WHAT
PEOPLE SAY, WE
HOLD THE IDEA
THAT THEY'RE ALL
THOUGHTS OF
"PEOPLE THAT ARE
STILL LIVING."

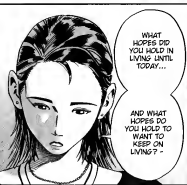
NEVERTHELESS,
WE CANNOT
ELIMINATE OUR
FEAR FOR
DEATH.

THE WISE TELL
US THAT DEATH
IS MERELY A
GATEWAY TO
PEACE AND
TRANQUILITY.



I REGRET TO
SAY THAT I
CANNOT HELP
YOU ERASE
YOUR FEAR.

SO, WHATEVER
IT IS THAT
YOU'RE
SEEKING FROM
ME...



WHAT
HOPES DID
YOU HOLD IN
LIVING UNTIL
TODAY...

AND WHAT
HOPES DO
YOU HOLD TO
WANT TO
KEEP ON
LIVING? -



CAN YOU
ASK
YOURSELF
THIS
QUESTION?

BUT,
THERE'S
A...



SO, LET'S BE
A LITTLE
IMAGINATIVE.



IF

YOU CAN
IMAGINE
THAT...

THEN,
BECAUSE
OF YOUR
WISH,

THE FUTURE
THAT YOU
CANNOT SEE IS
DIRECTED TO A
SLIGHTLY
BETTER PATH -

IMAGINE THAT,
EVEN IF WHEN
YOU CEASE TO
LIVE,

YOUR HOPES
ARE STILL
BEING CARRIED
BY SOMEONE...

AND THIS
PERSON, TO
FULFILL THIS
WISH,

WILL STRIVE
TO LIVE OUT
HIS BEST -





oooooooooooo



BUT THIS LADY
HAD LONG
BEEN
STROLLING ON
THE OTHER
SIDE.

I HAD BEEN
TROUBLED FOR
NOT BEING
ABLE TO
CROSS THAT
BARRIER...

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AT 10:40PM, 21H 45MIN
BEFORE THE
SCHEDULED TIME OF
DEATH, TERESE
SKULL'S INMATE WAS
DELIVERED
SUCCESSFULLY.



EH, MOM,
ARE YOU
CRYING?

NO, I
WAS JUST
A LITTLE
SURPRISED.

10 2 MIN REMAINING.

OH, CAN I
TROUBLE
YOU WITH
THE STUFF IN
MY
APARTMENT?

BUT NOW
I FEEL
MUCH
CALMER.

WELL... I
WASN'T
CRAZY AT
FIRST,

PM 8:00

IT DOESN'T
TAKE LONGER
THAN AN
HOUR TO GET
HOME, RIGHT?

NO, I'M GONNA
GO TO MY
WORKPLACE
FIRST THING IN
THE MORNING.

THEN I'LL
HEAD HOME.

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THE BETTER DEAD



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I'VE ONLY BEEN
HERE A SHORT
TIME, BUT I
WAS LOOKED
AFTER BY ALL
OF YOU.

I SINCERELY
HOPE THAT
YOU WILL
ACCOMPLISH
GREAT THINGS
IN YOUR
POSITIONS.



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IT'S TOO
CRUEL...

WHY...
WHY'S IT
HAVE TO
BE YOU?



THE BOY
SHOULD
BE
PROUD!!



OH!
STOP ALL
THE
CRYING!



BUT YOU DON'T
COMPLAIN! YOU
GO AND YOU
SACRIFICE YOUR
LIFE FOR YOUR
COUNTRY!

YEAH YOU
STILL HAD
THINGS YOU
WANTED TO
DO,

LISTEN, HEY?
WHEN I WAS A
KID? SOON AS
THOSE RED
PAPERS CAME OUT,
MEN LIKE THIS BOY
ARE CONSCRIPTED
TO BATTLE.



ALL YOUR
CRYING'LL
ONLY MAKE
THE BOY NOT
WANT TO GO!

THE BOY CAME
HERE FOR
FAREWELLS
AFTER HIS
MIND'S SET,
TOO!









GREAT... THIS IS
REALLY GREAT!

EVEN
THOUGH
I'M
USELESS, I
CAN STILL
HELP...!



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I HOPE
EVERYONE
WILL SEE THAT.



WOULD BE
USELESS, AS
LONG AS
YOU PUT
YOUR
HEART INTO
IT, YOU
WILL MAKE
IT...

THAT'S RIGHT,
THIS IS MY
WORD!

"WHAT HOPE DID
YOU HOLD IN
LIVING UNTIL
TODAY...?"



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THE HELL ANGEL (14-15)



DARN, I...
I FEEL SO
RELIEVED..





.....

AND
SHE'LL
DEFINITELY
WORRY.

IF I TALK TO
ASAKURA-
SAN RIGHT
NOW, I...I'LL
CRY.



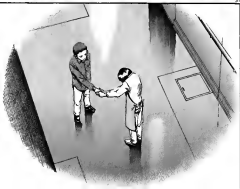
SO I'LL
BE
LEAVING
NOW.

BESIDES, IF
I JUST
DISAPPEAR,

I FEEL LIKE I
WILL ALWAYS
LIVE ON IN HER
HEART, JUST
LIKE HER
HUSBAND.



OK.....





EVEN WHEN I
DID IT, I WAS
STILL AFRAID
INSIDE...

WITH THAT, I CAN
DIE WITHOUT BEING
AT A TOTAL LOSS...
BUT I'M NOT ALL
THAT SATISFIED WITH
MY LIFE.



WAS A LITTLE
CLEARER TO ME.



BUT TODAY,
FOR THE
FIRST TIME,
MY PURPOSE
IN LIFE...



AND NO
MATTER WHAT,
EVERYONE WILL
CRY.

THAT'S ABOUT THE
ONLY WAY I'LL
REALLY END UP
COMPLAINING...

WHY SHOULD
I SAY ANYTHING
AT ALL...



TO RECEIVE AN
IKIGAMI... IT
REALLY IS PAINFUL.



ALL DEPUTY
DIRECTOR...
WHAT'S UP?

HI, TAKEBE-
KUN?



YEAR.

OH, A
CALL FROM
TAKESHI?



ASAKURA-SAN
IS MISSING
FROM THE
SENIOR'S
HOME....!!

COUNTDOWN TO
TIME OF DEATH,
10H 03MIN
REMAINING



INIGAMI

CHAPTER II

BROUGHT TO
YOU BY:
WANG-ASCAN &
NENE SINE
NEFAS

INKS PROVIDED BY SILVERSTAG
TRANSLATED BY NASEC
CLEARED BY PENGUONHIA &
HELLSOLDBEATS
TYPESET BY BLACK FOOT SHU I







I'LL HELP
LOOK FOR
HER.

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CONSPIRACY

Act 3





I ASKED
THAT
MYSELF,
TOO...

BUT THIS
ISN'T WHERE
MOTHER
GREW UP.



ASAKURA-
SAN... DO YOU
HAVE
ANYTHING WE
COULD
FOLLOW?



YEAH.

SORRY... YOU
SAID
ASAKURA-
SAN USED TO
LIVE IN THE
COUNTRY,
RIGHT?

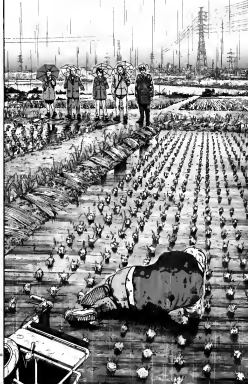


AH!



UNTIL I WAS
8, SHE'S
ALWAYS
LIVED IN THE
COUNTRY.







I HAVE TO
GO HELP
HER!

YOU'RE
KID-
DING...



M-
MOTHER!



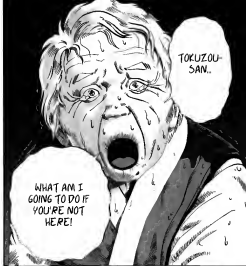
YOU STAY
THERE.
DON'T
MOVE!

ASAKURA-
SAN, I'M
HEADING
YOUR
WAY.



TOO!









ASAKURA-SAN...

I'M SORRY I
CAN'T
ACCOMPANY
YOU ANYMORE.



THUNDER-
BOLT, WHAT'S THE
MATTER?
DO ON, HELP
ME!!



TO LEAVE
YOU LIKE
THIS, I AM
REALLY
SORRY.



ALL THOSE THINGS
YOU WERE
DEPENDENT ON ME,
MY CONFIDENCE
HAD BEEN
RETURNING, TOO...

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I...I CAN'T
HELP YOU
ANY
LONGER...!!



BUT,
ASAKURA-
SAN.

BECAUSE
YOU CAN
WALK!





HOW LONG DO
YOU PLAN TO
SIT THERE!



YOU
KNOW
THAT.

I RECEIVED
THIS
PAPER,
AND I
HAVE TO
GO.





FOR THE
COUNTRY,
BEAR IT!!

PM 8:00



BUT THIS IS
TO PROTECT
YOU ALL. I
AM PREPARED.

I'LL BE
GONE
FOR A
WHILE...

NO,
PERHAPS...WE
WILL NEVER
MEET AGAIN.

FEAR

IF YOU'RE LIKE
THIS, WHAT
WOULD THE
CHILDREN DO?

STOP
CRYING.
STAND
UP.

COME

SHIMA...MY
TIME IS UP.



STAND
UP!









SHIYA, IT'S A
GOOD DAY
FOR A WALK
TODAY.

I'M GOING TO
TAKE YOU TO
THAT PARK
YOU LIKE OK?



ISN'T IT GREAT
SCENERY.. IT'S
BRIGHT LIKE
YOUR SMILE,
SHIYA.

SHIMA -

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Waahhh
h!!

HIS FACE WAS
SERENE AND
SATISFIED; HE
LOOKED LIKE HE
HAD NO REGRETS.

AFTER THAT,
TAREBE SHOUJI
WENT BACK TO
HIS PARENTS. HE
DIED AT THE
SCHEDULED TIME
WITH HIS FAMILY
BESIDE HIM.



HOWEVER, SHE
WAS USED TO
THE
ATMOSPHERE OF
THE CENTRE,
AND LIVED THERE
QUITE HAPPILY.

SINCE SHE COULD
WALK, SHE WAS
FREQUENTLY FOUND
TOSSENG FROM THE
SENIOR CENTRE, MUCH
TO THE CHAGRIN OF
THE STAFF.

ASAKURA SHIMA
CONTINUED
LIVING IN
"YOUNG
SENIOR'S HOME"
TO THIS DAY.



EXCUSE ME,
I'M FUJIMOTO
FROM THE
MUKUSHIGAMA
DISTRICT.

AS TO MYSELF...
I'M STILL THE
SAME, ALWAYS
ON THE RUN FOR
THE "GLORIOUS
DUTY."



THANK
YOU



YES, WE'VE
BEEN
WAITING
FOR YOU

ONE
MOMENT,
PLEASE.

I'M HERE TO
LOOK UP
CHARACTER
REPORTS OF
THE PAST 5
YEARS...





WERE
YOU?

IT COULD CALM
THE SPIRIT OF A
PERSON WHO
WAS SCHEDULED
TO DIE. I WAS
SURPRISED.

THAT IS,
YOUR
THERAPY
THAT TIME...



AND?

BUT AFTER
HEARING
GENE'S
WORDS, I
THOUGHT,
"THAT'S HIM"



I WAS KIND
OF GIVING UP
WITH ALL THE
STRESS THAT
WAS BUILDING
UP.

ESPECIALLY
SINCE I'M
ALWAYS IN
CONTACT
WITH THEM
FOR MY JOB.



SO I'LL BE
TRYING HARD
TO LEARN
AND TO
UNDERSTAND
IT...



IF YOU DON'T
MAKE YOUR
OWN SENSE
OUT OF LIFE
AND DEATH,
YOU MIGHT
NOT BE ABLE
TO KEEP UP
WITH IT.

TO BE
IN THIS
LINE OF
WORK,



AA...
YEAH



DO YOU
REMEMBER I
GAVE HIM A
CUP OF COFFEE
AT THAT TIME?

FLU-
MOTO-
SUN,



?



THAT
COFFEE WAS
MIXED WITH
A DRUG.

ONE THAT
COULD CALM
THE
SUBJECT
DOWN -



SO, WITHOUT
USING
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT,
THEY WILL NOT
CALM DOWN...

TO SOMEONE
WHO'S GOING
TO DIE THE
NEXT DAY, NO
THERAPY
COULD HELP

I'VE
SAID IT
THEN
TOO.

WHA...



RIGHT...



AH, OF
COURSE... I AM
FULLY
CERTIFIED AS A
CLINICAL
PSYCHIATRIST.





HER COOLNESS WAS
DISTURBING, BUT
THE FACT THAT SHE
SAW THROUGH MY
NERVE WAS WHAT
MADE ME FEEL
DEJECTED.

OF COURSE
I WAS
DIS-
COU-
AGED

QUITE THE OPPOSITE,
DOING THE JOB
THOROUGHLY AND
INDIFFERENTLY IS
PROBABLY THE
CORRECT ATTITUDE
FOR A DELIVERER.

IT'S TRUE THAT,
BEING A DELIVERER,
CARRYING THEIR
DESPAIR TO THE
PORT OF
SUFFOCATION DOES
NOT CHANGE
ANYTHING.

DEBILIT-
ATING
METHOD,
HMM...

BUT FOR ME,
CAN I SAY THAT
I'M PREPARED
FOR IT?



ASAKURA-SAN,
WHERE ARE
YOU GOING
ALL BY
YOURSELF?



YOU'RE
STILL
UNSTABLE
WHEN
YOU WALK.

YEAH?

THEN LET
ME COME
WITH YOU.



OH.

I WANT TO
GO TO THE
VISITING
ROOM...

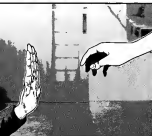


MURAKAMI-KUN.



NO, NO.

I CAN
WALK
BY
MYSELF!



ASA-
KURA-
SAN,

COULD I
HELP YOU
WITH
ANYTHING?





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